

FISCAL NOTE

SB 1846 - HB 1897

March 23, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the stated purpose of the Board of Nursing to include safeguarding the life and health of Tennesseans by providing an adequate number of appropriately trained nurses to meet the needs of citizens and health care facilities. Requires the Board to report to the Senate General Welfare, Health and Human Services Committee and the House of Representatives Health and Human Resources Committee concerning the efforts to meet the new, stated purpose including recommendations for appropriate legislation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:


Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant
Increase State Revenues – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- The Board of Nursing granted funding in 2002 to the Tennessee Center for Nursing for the purpose of strategically coordinating the development of the education, distribution and availability of an adequate work force of nurses in the state.
- There has been an increase in registered nursing students and newly licensed registered nurses since the funding grant.
- There would not be a significant increase in expenditures for the Board to report to the General Assembly.
- The Board of Nursing, by statute, is self supporting such that revenues equal expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director

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